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The Honorable Gail Haines
Chair, House Health Policy Committee
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Dear Representative Haines:

RE: SB 333, SB 350, and HB 4564

On behalf of the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan, I am writing in support of this legislation.

In 2005 the legislature amended MCL 333.17766e to regulate the over-the-counter sale of products containing ephedrine and pseudoephedrine. This regulation was done to counter the explosive growth of methamphetamine production in Michigan. Unfortunately, the meth makers have found new ways to cook meth, and new ways to get around the 2005 law.

By requiring all purchases of products containing ephedrine and pseudoephedrine to be first cleared through the National Precursor Log Exchange (NPLEX) administered by the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators (NADDI), we should reduce the use of these products to produce meth, and identify the criminals who make this dangerous drug.

Moreover, the provisions of SB 350, making it a crime to give false identification to purchase these products, will target one of the main ways criminals get around the current law.

Finally, HB 4564 will complete the enforcement circle by penalizing meth makers who accumulate the ephedrine and pseudoephedrine they need to cook meth.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ronald J. Schafer
President